

Keeping up with the Internet



People:

Discussion with your colleagues who are Internet users or trainers is a very valuable way to improve you knowledge, but also to make potential contacts who can help you when you train. You may be surprised at how much you both can learn when you pool your knowledge.

Using the 'Net' to Keep up on the 'Net':

What's New

Many WWW directories include a "What's New" area with lists of the new sites added. They are usually updated every week. Look around your favorite directory for its equivalent what's new.

Cool Sites

There are also several "cool site of the day" WWW sites. Services like this one, comb the Internet daily for "cool" resources to recommend to surfers.

Electronic Magazines & Newsletters

Some of best are:

Internet World (WWW version): The WWW version of this an excellent print magazine devoted to the Internet.

[URL:http://www.mecklerweb.com/mags/iw/iwhome.htm]

Hotwired: A WWW companion to the print *Wired* magazine. This resource does not duplicate the material in the print version. It includes a section called **Signal** devoted to keeping you up on the net. [URL:http://vip.hotwired.com/login/whatsnew.html]

Netguide (WWW version): Another good WWW version of an Internet magazine. [URL:http://techweb.cmp.com/techweb/ng/current/]

Resource Sites

These include the web versions of mailing lists and collections that have been created by other professionals or professional organizations.

Net-Happenings

http://www.fau.edu/rinaldi/nettrain/archive.html

Electronic Discussion Lists

NewNIR-L List announces new International Internet Resources.

To subscribe send the email message "subscribe NewNIR-L YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS" to LISTSERV@ITOCSIVM.SI.EDU

net-happenings Moderated by Gleason Sackman. Lists new Internet resources daily.

To subscribe send the email message "subscribe net-happenings YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS" to LISTSERV@IS.INTERNIC.NET

nettrain Moderated by Jim Milles. Discusses internet training issues.

To subscribe send the email message "subscribe nettrain YOUR FIRST NAME YOUR LAST NAME" to LISTSERV@LISTSERV.ACSU.BUFFALO.EDU

Internet Periodicals

There are lots of magazines available about the Internet. Some of the best are:

Internet World – Monthly magazine devoted entirely to the Internet. From Mecklermedia Corp. 800-635-537

Netguide – Monthly magazine covering the Internet & consumer online services. From CMP Media. 800-829-0421

Wired – Monthly magazine focusing on the "cyberspace lifestyle". 1-800-769-4733

Internet Columns Professional Journals

Many library related & speciality publications now regularly feature an Internet column.

These include:

SEA Currents
Database
MD Computing
MLA News
Online
National Network - Accessing Internet -Tips for Hospital Librarians

Books

Some Internet books include a section on how to keep current.

Tennant, Roy, et al. **Crossing the Internet Threshold**. Library Solutions Press. pp 32-36. Includes a lengthy listing of resources to assist you in keeping current.

Crossing the Internet Threshold.
By Roy Tennant, John Ober and Anne G. Lipow Library Solutions Press
ISBN:1-882208-07-2
1994, 2nd ed.